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SUBJECT: FATHER GALDAU'S "HUNGER STRIKE" IN NYC

REF: BUCHAREST 2200

MUNICH PLEASE PASS RFE

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED BY FATHER FLORIAN GALDAU,
WELL-KNOWN ROMANIAN EMIGRE ACTIVIST, THAT PARTICIPATING
WITH HIM IN "HUNGER STRIKE" PROTESTING ROMANIAN EMIGRATION
POLICY BEFORE UN IN NYC SINCE SUNDAY, MAY 18 ARE THE
FOLLOWING PERSONS:

IVAN GOGA, PERMANENT RESIDENT, SEEKING WIFE FLORICA AND
DAUGHTER RUXANDRA;

ION PANDARU, ARRIVED JAN. 4, 1974, SEEKING WIFE DRAGHITA;

ALEXANDRU NENU, ARRIVED JUNE 11, 1974, SEEKING WIFE
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ECATERINA AND CHILDREN;

GHEORGHE SOTARCA, PERMANENT RESIDENT, SEEKING WIFE AURICA
AND DAUGHTER LORETA;

EUGEN-DUMITRU VELEA, ARRIVED JUNE 1973, SEEKING WIFE
MARIA AND DAUGHTER MARGARETA;

ZAHARIA CRAINICIUC, ARRIVED DECEMBER 18, 1974, SEEKING
WIFE MARIA AND 2 CHILDREN;

GEORGE GHERGHE, AMCIT, SEEKING WIFE ANGELA AND SON DAN.

2. ON MAY 17 ROMEMB CALLED DEPARTMENT OFFICER TO
EXPRESS LOW-KEY CONCERN ABOUT PROTEST, WHICH HE TERMED
"UNHELPFUL." ROMEMB OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGED, HOWEVER, THAT
WHAT FATHER GALDAU IS UNDERTAKING IS WITHIN US LAW AND
HE FURTHER PROFESSED NO SECURITY-RELATED CONCERNS.

3. ROMEMB MAINTAINS THAT "HUNGER STRIKE" CONSISTS OF
VIGIL PLUS NOT EATING DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS. WE ARE
AWARE OF LITTLE IF ANY PUBLICITY BEING ATTRACTED BY
EVENT SO FAR.

4. WE UNDERSTAND VOA HAS BROADCAST NO REPORT OF THE
PROTEST. INGERSOLL

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